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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 00-713-i16)

In re Application of:	)	
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Chad A. Mirkin, et al.	)	
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Serial No.: 09/976,601	)	Examiner: Jezia Riley
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Filed: October 12, 2001	)	Art Unit: 1637
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For: NANOPARTICLES HAVING	)	Confirmation No.: 4367
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**RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE**

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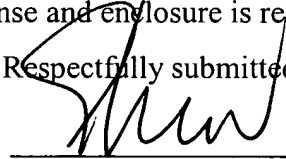
Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 10, 2003, attached please find a substitute section entitled "In the claims" of the Applicant's response dated November 6, 2003. As requested in the Notice, a complete listing of all of the claims is now present.

Prompt consideration and entry of this response and enclosure is respectfully requested.

Dated: 1/6/04

Respectfully submitted,

  
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